



# IDENTIFY AR and AK TYPE RECEIVERS and ASSOCIATED MANUFACTURING METHODS and EQUIPMENT

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# INTRODUCTION

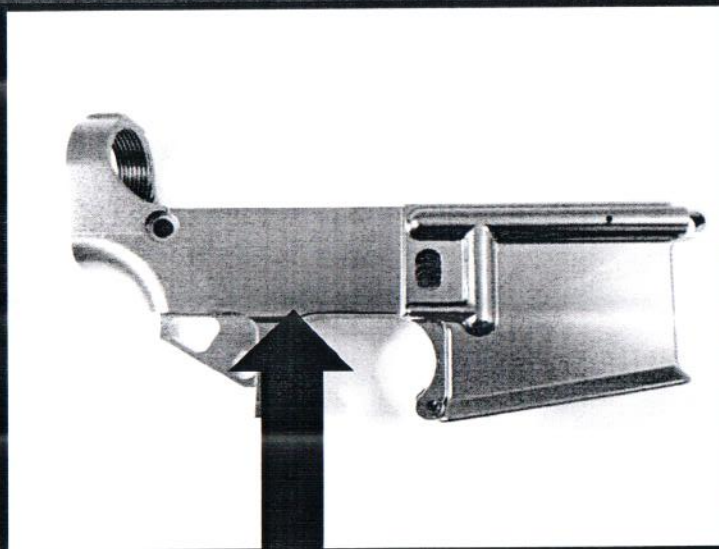
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ATF believes that firearms traffickers, or others desiring firearms, have begun purchasing unfinished receivers rather than complete rifles. Once the unfinished receivers are purchased, they can be readily assembled with limited mechanical skills. Parts kits, minus the firearm receiver, are not regulated by any statute other than for importation. Our ATF Special Agents and Industry Operations Investigators must know what to look for as possible indications of illegal manufacturing activity.



# AR TYPE UNFINISHED RECEIVER NOT A FIREARM

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No holes or dimples for  
the selector, trigger, or  
hammer pins

No machining of any kind  
performed in the area of the  
trigger/hammer recess (cavity)



Takedown-pin lug clearance area  
may be machined





# CHECK ON LEARNING

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Instructions: Select the correct answer(s).

True or False? The internet has expanded the availability of unfinished receivers, firearm parts, firearm parts kits, and the tools needed to assemble AR and AK type unfinished receivers into complete and functional firearms.

Answer: True

Since none of the required materials are regulated, all may be easily, affordably, and anonymously purchased via the internet.